

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Title: METAL ARTICLE COATED WITH TIN OR TIN ALLOY  
UNDER TENSILE STRESS TO INHIBIT WHISKER GROWTH

Grp./A.U.: 2822

Examiner: Monica Lewis

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Sir:

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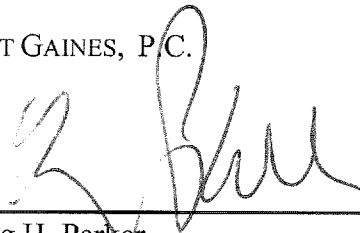
**STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF APPLICANT INITIATED INTERVIEW IN  
ACCORDANCE WITH C.F.R. § 1.133(b)**

Summarized below is the substance of a telephone interview between Examiner Lewis, and the under signed attorney of record (Mr. Greg H. Parker), held on February 28, 2006. In the telephone interview, Examiner Lewis and Mr. Parker discussed the pending §112 rejections. While Mr. Parker believed that he and Examiner Lewis came to an agreement as to the term "intrinsic", obviously Examiner Lewis felt otherwise.

The Applicants request the Examiner to telephone the undersigned attorney of record at (972) 480-8800 if such would further or expedite the prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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